Indian River Marina basin maintenance dredging project scheduled to begin Thursday, Sept. 15

REHOBOTH BEACH — Maintenance dredging at the Indian River Marina basin within Delaware Seashore State Park is scheduled to begin Thursday, Sept. 15, DNREC's Divisions of Parks & Recreation and Watershed Stewardship announced today.

The marina operates under the auspices of Delaware State Parks. Marina staff has been contacting affected slip holders this week about the dredging, providing information about temporary dock reassignment, dates that their boats will need to be moved, and emphasizing a tight window for the dredging project to be completed. The marina is also allowing for a limited number of early winter haul out/land storage for these boats, per marina manager's approval.

During the maintenance dredging project, dredge pipe will be marked with orange buoys every 25 to 50 feet, with the Division of Watershed Stewardship's Shoreline & Waterway Management Section keeping a boat in the water to assist slip holders in navigating the area during dredging operations from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The pipe will be completely submerged and out of harm's way during non-dredging hours and the marina will be navigable during those hours as well.

The Indian River Marina also announced this week that because of the dredging project, it will no longer accept transient reservations for the remainder of the 2016 boating season.

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